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Coming up Roses with GATe Awards for Best Local Videos

by Haley Kerby



SCREENSHOT BY AMY HANSEN

Sally Davies wins first place in the GATe Rose Awards for her film *From Georgia to Greenbelt*.

Greenbelt Access Television (GATe) announced its second annual Rose Awards on March 20 during the television station's annual meeting. The contest showcases videos created by Greenbelt community video producers.

Sally Davies took first place this year for her short painting-and-time-lapse film *From Georgia to Greenbelt*. Second place was awarded to Tanya Nordberg and

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Greenbelt Holds First Food Truck Festival on Cold Day

by Haley Kerby



PHOTO BY TOM JONES

The 1st Annual Greenbelt Food Truck Festival is hosted by the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival.

Greenbelters enjoyed a delicious afternoon at Schrom Hills Park catered by dining on wheels.

The first annual Greenbelt Food Truck Festival was held Saturday, March 26, bringing the community together in celebration with food and activities for all ages.

Organized by the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee in partnership with Greenbelt Recreation, the festival featured six different trucks and a sweet treats table. "This first event was a trial run for the community," as Mayor Emmett Jordan puts it. There is not a plan for how often

these events will take place, he said, but "a festival like this will definitely happen again."

Big D's Wings, owned and operated by Greenbelt locals, made an appearance. Opening in May of last year, Big D's has become a success in the DMV area. Featuring wings, burgers, fries and southern fried chicken, Big D's dishes are all family recipes.

DMV and Beyond was also in attendance. Run by Shameka Cole on Saturday, the business began in 2007 headed by Cole's daughter. The name speaks for

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ARPA Fund Spending Ideas; Deadline of April 15 Looms

by Johanna Goderre

Greenbelt's windfall of nearly \$23 million from the federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) has the potential to rapidly improve services, quality of life and infrastructure across the city. To determine how to invest these funds, the city's outreach efforts include a survey, online at engagegreenbelt.org and printed on page 12. The survey closes Friday, April 15.

Signed into law by President Joe Biden on March 11, 2021,

ARPA gives local jurisdictions a rarity – large contributions from the federal government with few limitations. The city has engaged Raftelis, a company with outreach expertise, to work with residents on idea generation. Residents have had multiple ways to easily highlight problems that could be addressed by ARPA funds, including the survey, in-person meetings and a website to capture ideas from residents. The city has made it easy to contribute

through a special email address at ARPA@greenbeltmd.gov, and is accepting written ideas from residents. The goal is to ensure these funds are used for transformational projects that will have a positive effect on the city for the next 20 years.

Residents gathered March 22 at the Greenbriar Community Center for the second in-person meeting about how to spend ARPA funds.

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Food and Friendship Program B&B Delivers Meals to Seniors

by Matthew Arbach

Therapeutic Recreation Supervisor Becky Sutfin and Brian Butler, recreation coordinator at Springhill Lake Recreation Center, are the self-dubbed B & B Team and the force behind the Food and Friendship Program that provides meals by delivery to seniors. Begun as an on-site service, meals are now delivered to participants' homes due to the pandemic.

The program helps around 30 seniors on a weekly or biweekly basis. Participants must live within Greenbelt city limits to qualify. There is no charge, but participants must complete an application to the county, which is facilitated through Sutfin, who can be reached at 240-542-2056 or rsutfin@greenbeltmd.gov.

Meals are catered from Meals on Wheels, yet the city's program is a distinct entity. Meals are delivered on Fridays and are packaged in a box of seven frozen meals, equal to what they would receive if they came in person. As of March 18, 5,369 meals had been delivered.

The initial meeting hub of



PHOTO BY BRIAN BUTLER

Becky and Brian sport their team B&B shirts.

the program was the Community Center, where participants enjoyed a hot lunch Monday through Friday. It was also an opportunity for socializing and fellowship.

The shift to delivery happened on March 13, 2020, when the facility was closed due to Covid. Sutfin and Butler are responsible for the deliveries. In addition to the food boxes, the team, said Sutfin, distributes activity bags, cards, love and support.

At the start of this effort, the pair worked with 40 to 50 seniors. Sutfin noted, "With Covid protocols being lifted, some of the seniors felt comfortable going to the store and cooking meals on their own."

For Sutfin and Butler, this effort is more than just providing meals. With the social isolation

that has been part of the pandemic experience, especially for seniors who don't have family to connect with, each delivery is a chance to check in on the emotional well-being and possible needs of the participants; a chance, said Sutfin, to "smile, laugh and enjoy our conversations." In some cases, said Sutfin, "we became their family." The pair makes the seniors aware of the programs available in the city from Greenbelt CARES, Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) and through the Recreation Department.

A tragic element of all this was the deaths of some of the participants during the pandemic, which Sutfin said "was hard on Brian and myself."

The goal is to once again return to an on-site program, with there being a concerted effort,

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What Goes On

Monday, April 4
8 p.m., Council Budget Worksession: Museum/Grants & Contributions/CARES, Municipal Building

Wednesday, April 6
8 p.m., Council Worksession: Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Planning Group (tentative)

The Monday worksession will be in person. See the meetings calendar at greenbeltmd.gov for the status of the Wednesday worksession and for agendas and information on public participation in these meetings.



PHOTO COURTESY NASA/GODDARD

Denna Lambert poses at the Goddard Space Flight Center Information & Collaboration Center with her seeing eye dog, Angie. See story, page 12.



PHOTO BY JOHANNA GODERRE

Daffodils on Woodland Way on March 22, before the cold snap



PHOTO BY GREGORY CRITES

A mature eagle and nestling on the nest at the BARC

On Screen at Old Greenbelt Theatre

West Side Story

In this 2021 update of the classic musical, love at first sight strikes when young Tony (Ansel Elgort) spots Maria (Rachel Zegler) at a high school dance in 1957 New York City. Their burgeoning romance helps to fuel the fire between the warring Jets and Sharks – two rival gangs vying for control of the streets. Ariana DeBose won a 2022 Oscar for Best Supporting Actress for her role as Anita. Rated PG-13, running time 156 minutes

Summer of Soul

Part music film, part historical record, Summer of Soul was created around an epic event that celebrated Black history, culture and fashion. Over the course of six weeks in the summer of 1969, just 100 miles south of Woodstock, the Harlem Cultural Festival was filmed in Mount Morris Park (now Marcus Garvey Park). The footage was never seen and largely forgotten – until now. The feature includes never-before-seen concert performances by Stevie Wonder, Nina Simone, Sly and the Family Stone, Gladys Knight and the Pips, Mahalia Jackson, B.B. King, The 5th Dimension and more. Summer of Soul won the 2022 Oscar for Best Documentary. Rated PG-13, running time 117 minutes

Infinite Storm

One woman's journey for self-discovery turns into a harrowing tale of survival. As Pam, an experienced climber ascends Mt. Washington, she turns back before she reaches the summit as a huge blizzard approaches. But on her way down, she encounters a lone, stranded and ill-prepared man, and takes it upon herself to get them both down the mountain before nightfall arrives and they succumb to the storm. Directed by Małgorzata Szumowska, Infinite Storm is based on a true story. Rated R, running time 104 minutes

Monday Matinee

Sunset Boulevard

This 1950 film stars William Holden as Joe Gillis, a struggling screenwriter, and Gloria Swanson as Norma Desmond, a former silent-film star who draws him into her demented fantasy world, where she dreams of making a triumphant return to the screen. She enlists Joe's help in writing a screenplay for her comeback, and the small-time writer becomes her lover and gigolo. When Joe falls in love with the young aspirant writer Betty Schaefer, Norma becomes jealous and her madness leads to a tragic end. The film was ranked number 12 on the American Film Institute's 1998 list of the 100 best American films of the 20th century. Rated PG, running time 110 minutes

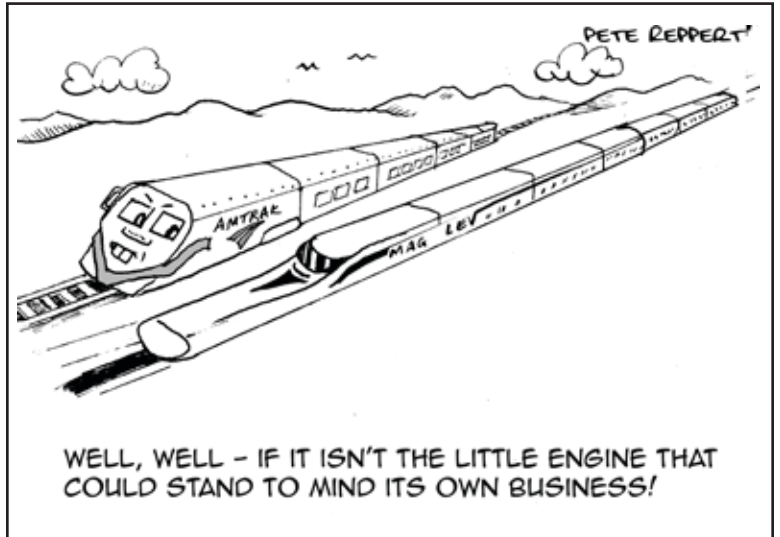
Coming Next Week

More Women's History and stories of women and their activities in the early years of Greenbelt



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DVS = Descriptive Video Service

SHOWTIMES
APRIL 1ST – APRIL 4TH
PLEASE NOTE WE NOW
HAVE TWO SCREENS:
SCREEN 1 (S1) -
MAIN AUDITORIUM,
CAPPED AT 100
SCREEN 2 (S2) -
THE SCREENING ROOM,
CAPPED AT 20
WEST SIDE STORY
(PG-13) (CC) (DVS) (2021)
(156 MINS)
FRI. 5:30 PM S2
SAT. 7:30 PM S1
SUN. 2:00 PM (OC),
5:30 PM S1
MON. 4:00 PM S1
SUMMER OF SOUL
(PG-13) (CC) (DVS) (2021)
(117 MINS)
FRI. 5:00 PM, 8:00 PM S1
SAT. 5:30 PM, 8:30 PM S2
SUN. 2:30 PM, 6:00 PM S2
MON. 2:00 PM, 5:00 PM S2
INFINITE STORM (R) (CC)
(DVS) (2022) (104 MINS)
SAT. 5:00 PM S1
MONDAY MATINEE: FREE
(REGISTER ONLINE AT
GREENBELTTHEATRE.ORG)
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(1950) (110 MINS)
MON. 1:00 PM



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GNR external office door mail slot is located up a few stairs 25 yards left of the Community Center's east door near the municipal building.

Community Events

GAC Presents Radio Play: Another World

Greenbelt Arts Center has posted March's installment of their online Old-Time Radio Play series: Arch Obler's Another World, aka Alter Ego, directed by Rikki Howie Lacewell. The video can be viewed for free through a link on the website greenbeltartscenter.org.

In the play, on a cold, dismal, dreary night ... in a death-row cell of a southern penitentiary ... a young woman kneels beside her prison cot, weeping, speaking softly to the memory of her mother, and explaining that it all started when she first heard that evil voice within her head.

The play features actors Amy Conley, Rob Glass, Katherine Gourianova, Emily C. Letchworth, Hillary Leyendecker and Pamela Northrup.

More information and the recordings of previous radio plays are available at the website. April's show will be Yours Truly Johnny Dollar: Murder Is a Merry-Go-Round Matter, featuring an all-female cast.

New Deal Café Hosts Fundraiser April 2

The award-winning, community-owned New Deal Café is holding a fundraising concert on Saturday, April 2 from 8 to 11 p.m. The featured artists that night are perennial Café favorites Just Stones, a high-energy musical tribute to the Rolling Stones. The band is generously donating all tips received that night to help the Café, a not-for-profit cooperative that has been financially devastated by the Covid pandemic.

For more information, visit newdealcafe.com or email social@newdealcafe.com.

Clothing Donation Drive on April 23

Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ's next clothing and small hard-goods drive will occur on Saturday, April 23 from 8 a.m. to noon and Sunday, April 24, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The church is located at 1 Hillside Road.

Prepare the used goods for donation by placing soft goods in plastic bags and hard goods in boxes that one person could carry. Oversized items cannot be accepted. Provide an estimate of the number of bags and boxes to Ken Littlefield at kenlittlefield1@aol.com. The donations will be taken to Value Village, which pays the church. The church uses the money to help fund local charities including the Greenbelt Emergency Assistance Fund.

Order More Free Rapid Home Covid-19 Tests

Each residential household in the U.S. is eligible to order two sets of four rapid antigen tests. The brief order form, asking for only contact and shipping information, takes just a moment to fill out. The form and more information can be found at COVIDtests.gov. Orders will ship within 7 to 12 (or more) days, with delivery by the U.S. Postal Service.

SHL Rec Center Has Family Fun on Sunday

On Sunday, April 3 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. join Family Fun at Springhill Lake Recreation Center. Families are invited to enjoy group games and drop-in gym time every Sunday afternoon this spring. Complimentary recreation equipment is available on site. Facility ID is required for participation. More information can be found on the city calendar at greenbeltmd.gov, under City Events.

Artful Afternoon Sunday, April 3

Enjoy a free all-ages art workshop at the Greenbelt Community Center on Sunday, April 3 from 1 to 3 p.m. Additional workshops on May 1 and June 5. Pre-registration required. More information can be found on the city calendar at greenbeltmd.gov, under City Events.

Arts Advisory Board Meeting on Zoom

The Arts Advisory Board will meet on Tuesday, April 5 at 7 p.m. on Zoom. For access information, write to ndewald@greenbeltmd.gov or call 301-474-8000 Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A draft agenda will be posted at greenbeltmd.gov.

Greenbriar Community Assoc. Has New Board

Greenbriar Community Association had its Annual Meeting on March 22 and the results of the election are as follows: Jeanette Gordy, president; Dorothy "Didi" Peck, vice president; Carol Adams, secretary; Therese Benedik, treasurer; and Glen Oaks Apartment representative, director.

Legion Auxiliary Looks for Students

Enrollment for students in the 80-year-old American Legion Auxiliary's Girls State Program is open through Friday, April 15. This interactive program in government, civic responsibility and leadership will be held at Salisbury State University June 19 to 24 and is open to female students completing their junior year of high school. The cost of housing, meals and educational supplies will be borne by the Auxiliary.

Interested students may find information, application forms and dates of mandatory orientations at alamd.org/girls-state.html. An expression of interest form is available at facebook.com/ALAMDGS. Applications may be sent to Greenbelt American Legion Auxiliary Unit 136, P.O. Box 1063, Greenbelt, MD 20768. Information on a comparable program for male students run by the American Legion may be found at mdlegion.org/boysstate.

Covid Testing During PGCPs Spring Break

To mitigate potential Covid-19 spread that may be experienced during Spring Break, schools will receive a shipment of home test kits beginning the week of March 28. Students and staff are asked to self-administer the test prior to returning to schools on Tuesday, April 19.

Del. Nicole Williams Maryland Scholarship

Williams' staff is accepting applications for the 2022-2023 Scholarship. The deadline to submit is Friday, April 8, 2022. The scholarship is available for people who are: a) applying to, or are currently attending any college or trade school in Maryland, b) live within District 22 (check mdelect.net), and c) have at least a 2.5 grade point average.

For more information and to fill in the forms, visit www.nicoleawilliams.com/scholarships.

At the Library

Greenbelt Library hours: Mondays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesdays and Wednesdays, noon to 8 p.m.; Thursdays and Fridays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sundays 1 to 5 p.m.

Health and Safety

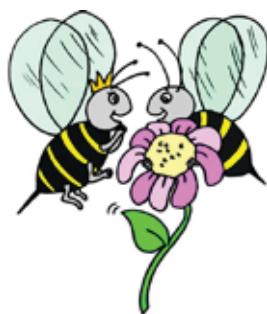
Face masks continue to be required at Prince George's County Memorial Library System buildings for everyone ages 2 and up. The library appreciates customers' assistance with maintaining a safe environment for children who are not yet eligible for Covid-19 vaccines and for customers and staff who have high risk for Covid-19. These additional library safety measures are available: plexiglass shields at the service desks, hand sanitizer dispensers and single-use keyboard and mouse covers.

Gubernatorial Forum Is on Sunday, April 3

The Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club reports that nearly all seats are taken for the Gubernatorial Forum on Sunday, April 3 at 3 p.m. The event, sponsored by the Roosevelt Club, will occur at the Greenbelt American Legion, located at 6900 Greenbelt Road, with a capacity of approximately 200 people. The club highly recommends that those wishing to attend access the rooseveltclub.com link quickly to secure seating.

The forum will be moderated by Dave Zahren, who also served as moderator for the Greenbelt City Council candidates forum last October. Zahren, the long-time host of Baltimore's version of It's Academic, is also the senior television instructional specialist with the Prince George's County Public Schools' Office of Television Resources.

For any questions, contact Konrad Herling at 301-345-9369.



Support Pollinators In No Mow Month

The City Department of Public Works encourages residents to support pollinator habitat and participate in No Mow Month beginning April 1. The March 21 registration date has passed, but you still can participate unofficially. See greenbeltmd.gov/government/public-works/no-mow-month.

GCF Grant Applications Due on Friday, April 15

by Kevin W. Parker

The Greenbelt Community Foundation (GCF) is looking for a few good projects. But one might ask, just what is the GCF?

The GCF accepts donations and then makes grant awards twice a year for projects in the arts, education, environmental preservation, science and community enhancement that nourish all of our Greenbelt neighborhoods.

The foundation has supported just about every nonprofit in the Greenbelt area. They've helped the Greenbelt Farmers Market buy signs, the Greenbelt Museum expand its programming, the Old Greenbelt Theatre reach out to the community, Greenbelt MakerSpace buy equipment and this newspaper enhance its online presence.

Also supported have been projects at every school in Greenbelt, from teaching English as a second language at Springhill Lake and Greenbelt Elementary Schools to rejuvenating the theater program at Eleanor Roosevelt High School after the Covid hiatus.

They've even helped with

smaller projects, from pumpkin walks to new music stands and folders for the Greenbelt Concert Band.

All in all, the group has put over a quarter-million dollars back into the community. And now they're ready to do it again and they need proposals.

Anyone with an idea for a project or activity that would enrich our already great community and that needs an infusion of \$500 to \$5,000, visit the foundation website at greenbeltfoundation.org to learn how to apply. There will also be an online grant-writing workshop on Wednesday, April 6 at 7 p.m. to walk those interested in submitting a proposal through the process.

Information on how to attend the workshop will be on the website as well. Note that the spring deadline for proposals is Friday, April 15.

Kevin W. Parker is a member of the Board of Directors and chair of the Communications Committee of the Greenbelt Community Foundation.

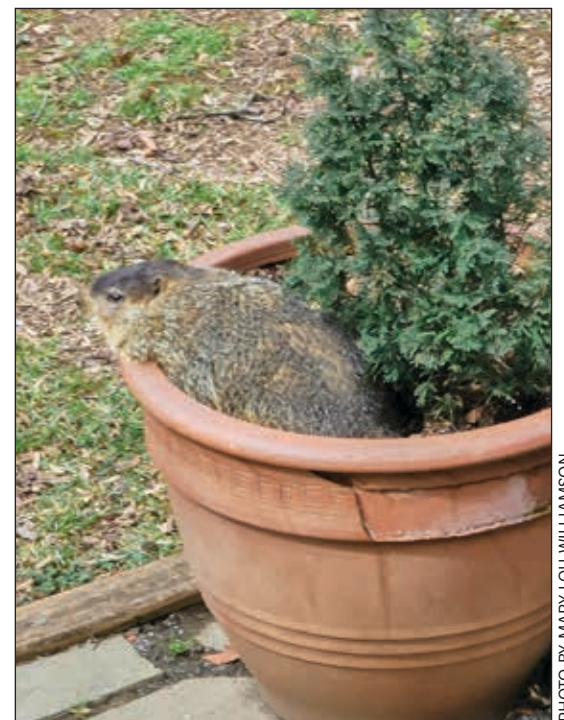



PHOTO BY MARY LOU WILLIAMSON

Groundhog Day comes in March. He's been a frequent visitor to this flower pot.



Greenbelt Access Television

Apr 1, Fri – Apr 7, Thu
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THIS WEEK on GATE • Your Community Access Station

7am	Greenbelt Newsreel	Community Programming
8am	Democracy Now!	Yesterday's Syndicated Program
9am	Utopia Selected Film • GATE PREMIERE	Who Cares About DC? • Steve Kolb
11am	Greenbelt Newsreel	Community Programming
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said Sutfin, "to make sure that no one falls through the cracks. We want to make sure that they still have access to food and social interaction." "It is truly a blessing," she said, "to be able to support our seniors and the program."

Thank you note from the Nordens

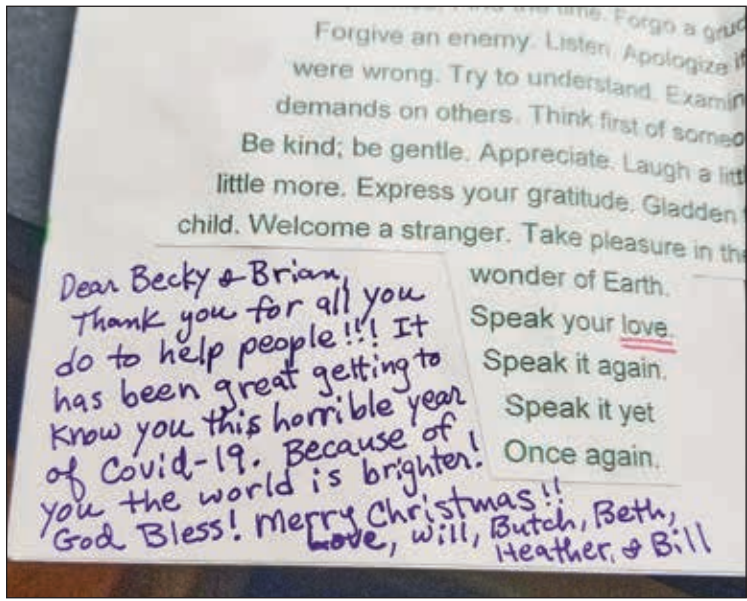


PHOTO BY REBEKAH SUTFIN



PHOTO BY RUTH CAMPBELL

Becky (right) and Brian (center) pose with food truck driver Lamar.

City Celebrates Centenarians

The City of Greenbelt would like to celebrate Greenbelt residents who have reached the milestone age of 100 years. To have a loved one or friend recognized, contact Rebekah Sutfin at 240-542-2056 or rsutfin@greenbeltmd.gov. The centenarian can choose from a variety of options to celebrate.

The city will continue to promote senior services and appreciation throughout the year. Recognizing the city's diverse population, Greenbelt seeks to celebrate centenarians' experiences and wisdom, provide activities that meet their needs and encourage seniors to age in place here in Greenbelt.

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How to Help Ukraine

The City of Greenbelt has posted on its website a list of charities that support the people of Ukraine as they fight against Russian invaders. The city identifies 13 groups that are doing work in Ukraine including the well-known Doctors Without Borders as well as the lesser-known GoFundMe projects aimed at keeping journalists going. The list can be viewed under News on greenbeltmd.gov. The source of the list is the Washington Post.

The Bible Says...
Come to Me,
all who are weary and heavy-laden
and I will give you rest.
Matthew 11:28

MCF COMMUNITY CHURCH
IN PERSON Sunday Worship Services
10a-11:15a @ Greenbelt Elementary School
MCFcc.org

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One Hillside Road

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- Sunday Mass:
 - Sat vigil 5pm*
 - Sun 8am, 9:30am, 11am
- Confessions Saturday 3pm - 4pm. Masks for the unvaccinated encouraged.

*Live-streamed on Facebook and available on our YouTube page later.

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Easter Event At Mowatt

Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church will sponsor an Easter Event on Saturday, April 16 from 2 to 4 p.m. The celebration will include storytelling, bubble fun, a special appearance from the Easter Bunny, an egg hunt, WAGS photo booth, chalk drawing and cornhole games. The egg hunt will be divided by age group. Sign-up for the Magical Egg Hunt in the Woods here at signuptgenius.com/go/30E094AA4AD2CA4FE3-magical.

There will be a family clothing swap during the event. Bring gently used, clean clothes to Mowatt Memorial starting April 1 and place them in the plastic bin at the back door marked "Easter clothing swap" or simply drop clothes off between noon and 12:30 p.m. the day of the swap. Bring only clothes that you would pick for your family.

Many volunteers will be needed so come to 40 Ridge Road to help, if possible. For more information, call 301-474-9410.

The event is free and everyone is welcome.



Easter Sunrise Service Sunday, April 17

An ecumenical Easter Sunrise Service is planned for 7 a.m. on Sunday, April 17 at Schrom Hills Park. All are welcome. Bring a lawn chair or a blanket to sit on. Rain location is Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ, 1 Hillside Road and Crescent Road.

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For ZOOM link:
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Obituaries

The News Review publishes obituaries of Greenbelt residents, past or present. You write it or we will if you prefer. We try to include information about participation in various activities and organizations, where the person lived and something about the family. A photograph and service information should be included. There is no charge.

"So powerful is the light of unity that it can illuminate the whole earth."
- Bahá'u'lláh

Greenbelt Bahá'í Community
www.greenbeltbahais.org

Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church
40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

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Interpretations of Spirituality
PBUUC Worship Associate Team with Worship Associate Tricia Most

Spirituality is not dependent on whether you believe in a God or not. Each of us, actively and committedly, grows our own Spirits to create deeper connections within the church and society at large; Worship Associates will share perspectives on their spirituality. This topic was requested by Elaine Shell, auction winner of the Worship Associates' Service.

City Notes

The Labor Day Festival Committee hosted Greenbelt's First Annual Food Truck Festival at Schrom Hills Park. Horticulture/Parks furnished and prepared the pavilion.

Virginia Tech urban planning students toured the Museum.

After one adoption and three impounds, Animal Shelter residents are now seven cats, six kittens, two dogs and a rabbit.

Refuse/Recycling collected 28.55 tons of refuse and 10.80 tons of recyclables and Street Maintenance assisted with concrete work on Edmonston Road.

Sustainability/Environmental received a grant to fund sustainable giveaways for Earth Day events. (Earth Day 2022 is Saturday, April 23.) Bird boxes and bee houses were repaired around Buddy Attick Park, where seven Weed Warriors helped clean and trim the pollinator garden and remove invasive species.

The Aquatic & Fitness Center reopened and welcomed two pool managers.

Therapeutic Recreation facilitated meal delivery for 23 seniors, and two families received financial assistance.

Park rangers deployed new signage designating reserved park areas to minimize conflicts between permitted renters and impromptu gatherings.

Scholarship Application Deadline Coming Soon

Applications are being accepted for State Senator Paul Pinsky's 2022 Senatorial Scholarship. Those applying should be current high school seniors or full-time and part-time degree-seeking undergraduate or graduate students who live in the 22nd Legislative District.

The application is available online at senatorpinsky.org. Complete and file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid in addition to the scholarship application. Selection is based on academic achievement, financial need and commitment to higher education. Awards range from \$500 to \$2,000.

For anyone who received an award from Senator Pinsky during a previous academic year, the award will be renewed automatically as long as the awardee maintained satisfactory academic progress. For more information call 301-858-3155 or email paul.pinsky@senate.state.md.us. The application deadline is Sunday, April 3.

Alonzo Washington Offers Scholarship

State Delegate Alonzo T. Washington is now accepting applications for his 2022-2023 Scholarship Award Program. Applications, open to current high school seniors or those seeking an undergraduate or graduate degree, are available online at tinyurl.com/WashingtonScholarship2022.

To be eligible, applicants must attend a college or university in Maryland and complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Undocumented residents are eligible for funds and are welcome to apply. Those who have received Delegate Washington's scholarship in the past must re-apply this year.

For more information, email Alonzo.Washington@house.state.md.us or call 301-858-3652. The application deadline is Friday, May 20.



City Information & Events

The strength of Greenbelt is diverse people living together in a spirit of cooperation. We celebrate all people. By sharing together all are enriched. We strive to be a respectful, welcoming community that is open, accessible, safe and fair.

MEETINGS FOR APRIL 4-8

Monday, April 4 at 8 pm, **BUDGET WORK SESSION**, *On the Agenda: Miscellaneous, Museum/Grants, Contributions/CARES*

Tuesday, April 5 at 7 pm, **ARTS ADVISORY BOARD**, *On the Agenda: Verification of Quorum and Call to Order, Amendment/Approval of the Agenda, Welcome of New Guests/Applicants, Approval of the February and March Minutes, Round Robin, Adjourn*

Tuesday, April 5 at 7 pm, **ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TREES**, *On the Agenda: Call to Order, Review Past Meeting Minutes, Old Business - Discussion of Arbor Day Event, News Business - Discussion of Significant Trees in the Forest Preserve, Adjourn.*

Tuesday, April 5 at 7 pm, **PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**, *On the Agenda: Discussion and Planning of Upcoming Community Policing Forums*

Wednesday, April 6 at 7 pm, **ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD**, *On the Agenda: Call to Order, Approval of Agenda, Approval of Minutes of March 30, Doctors Community Medical Center Preliminary Plan of Subdivision (#4-21018), New Business, Adjourn*

Wednesday, April 6 at 8 pm, **WORK SESSION**, *Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Planning Group (EVIPG)*

In advance, the hearing impaired is advised to use MD RELAY at 711 to submit your questions/comments or contact the City

SMALL FUNDS AVAILABLE for studying the ecology, history, and use of the Greenbelt Forest Preserve

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ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION
Saturday, April 9 | 10 am - 12 pm

Greenbelt Community Center
15 Crescent Road
Greenbelt, MD 20770

Join the Department of Public Works and members of the Advisory Committee on Trees as the City celebrates Arbor Day. Volunteers will work with Public Works staff to install a 'Satyr Hill' holly as the Eleanor Roosevelt memorial tree in the front lawn of the Greenbelt Community Center. Participants will also be eligible to receive free native trees to plant in their yards to help increase the City's urban tree canopy, support wildlife, and improve the environment. Trees will be handed out on a first-come, first-served basis to Greenbelt residents with proof of residency. Limit 1 tree per household.

For more information, contact Environmental Coordinator, Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll: kdriscoll@greenbeltmd.gov

GUIDED WALKING TOUR
Sunday, April 10 | 1 pm

Greenbriar Park
Hanover Pkwy and Mandan Rd
Greenbelt, MD 20770

Join members of the Forest Preserve Advisory Board for a walking tour of the newly acquired, Greenbriar tract. Board members will be available to answer questions, address concerns, and to give insight into this unique parcel.

For more information, contact Environmental Coordinator, Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll: kdriscoll@greenbeltmd.gov

INVITATION TO BID

Tennis Court Repair and Resurfacing
City of Greenbelt Bid No. 2022-01-B

The City of Greenbelt, Maryland invites the submission of bids from qualified companies for the repair and resurfacing of six tennis courts and one outdoor full basketball court, including the addition of pickleball playing lines to four of the tennis courts and the outdoor basketball court. The complete bid package can be accessed at www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation (beginning Thursday, March 17) or requested by emailing aphelan@greenbeltmd.gov. Bids are due by 11:00am on Wednesday, April 6.

Please contact Andrew Phelan, Assistant Director - Recreation Facilities & Operations, at aphelan@greenbeltmd.gov or 301-397-2200 for additional information.

Follow the City of Greenbelt on Facebook and Twitter @cityofgreenbelt! For City information and events visit www.greenbeltmd.gov

CITY WELCOME PACKETS

The City Welcome Packet is back!!! If your business, club, or organization would like to be included in the City of Greenbelt's Welcome Packet, please bring 300 copies of your promotional materials to the Greenbelt Municipal Building, located at 25 Crescent Road, by 3 pm on Friday, April 15, 2022. Packets will be distributed to all new residents of Greenbelt and are a great resource to help promote your business!

For more information, contact Chondria Andrews at candrews@greenbeltmd.gov or 240-542-2026.

FREE TUTORING PROGRAMS

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Greenbelt ARPA Funds Assistance Programs Update (as of 3/21/22)

Rent and Utility Assistance
· 253 Greenbelt Households were granted assistance totaling \$998,817.96

Mortgage and HOA Assistance
· 6 Greenbelt Households were granted assistance totaling \$8,464.77

ATTENTION:

Buddy Attick Park Parking Lot Reconstruction project will be getting underway in the next two weeks. The project is anticipated to be completed in two months. Parking will be limited/closed at times. Additional parking is available at the Greenbelt Youth Center located at 99 Centerway.

Please note that access to the recycling center will be maintained throughout most of the duration of the project. Any closures will be announced on social media.

For questions, please contact Terri Hruby, Director of Planning and Community Development at truby@greenbeltmd.gov or via phone at 301-345-5417.

34TH ANNUAL POTOMAC RIVER WATERSHED CLEANUP
Sunday, April 16 | 10 am - 1 pm

Indian Creek Trail off Cherrywood Lane
MUST REGISTER TO VOLUNTEER

Join the City of Greenbelt Department of Public Works and the Alice Ferguson Foundation for a stream cleanup event as Greenbelt participates in the 34th Annual Potomac River Watershed Cleanup. Volunteers are needed to clean up litter along Indian Creek.

Reminders: Bring a reusable water bottle, wear weather-appropriate clothing and closed-toe shoes, bring community service forms.

To register, contact Environmental Coordinator, Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll: kdriscoll@greenbeltmd.gov



Greenbelt Recreation will provide full and half-day Summer Camps June 27 - August 19. Available for youth ages 3.5 - 17.

Look for our Camp Guide online in early April!

Summer camp jobs are now open!

For more information call 301-397-2200 or visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation



Greenbelt Recreation's 2022 Spring Activity Guide has been posted! Visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation for more information.

Metro System Recovering Slowly from the Pandemic

by Matthew Arbach

Metrorail and Metrobus, whose ridership was severely impacted by the pandemic, is making a slow but steady return to pre-pandemic levels of service. On March 7, Charlie Scott, government relations officer for Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA), met with the Greenbelt City Council to share his organization's current financial status, capital projects and efforts to bring back users to a system that is of vital importance to Greenbelt.

The pre-pandemic ridership numbers from 2019 were 301.5 million. Beginning in the third quarter of Fiscal Year (FY) 2020, ridership numbers fell from 230.6 million to 81.3 million in FY 2021. FY 2022 saw ridership climb to 105.3 million, a 34 percent rise, to an anticipated 166.6 million or 53 percent increase in FY 2023.

The C2 bus was the route least affected, with pre-pandemic numbers averaging 3,753 riders on weekdays, 2,555 on Saturdays and 621 on Sundays, to currently 3,357 weekdays, 2,153 Saturdays and 584 Sundays. The G12, G14 and R12 route ridership numbers have dropped more precipitously.

The B30 bus route remains suspended, with no existing plan to resume. Mayor Emmett Jordan strongly advocated for its return, as a helpful artery for Greenbelt and county residents traveling to Baltimore, and more specifically, to Baltimore-Washington International Airport. Scott pointed out that even pre-pandemic numbers for the route were very low and that efforts to stimulate ridership had proved fruitless, with the pandemic only further decreasing demand. Jordan felt that perhaps increased promotion would bring in more usage, suggesting that the Maryland Department of Transportation might take it on.

Scott said that the prevailing preference of bus users is frequency of service rather than extended earlier or later hours. Yet,



he stressed that if the demand is there, WMATA would certainly look into that option, citing that budget issues, specifically operator salaries, is the reason for the present approach.

The Green, Yellow, Blue, Orange, Silver and Red Metrorail lines continue to run weekdays and weekends as usual.

In FY 2022, WMATA implemented several initiatives to lower prices, such as a weekend rail \$2 flat rate, a \$2 bus-rail transfer discount and a \$12 seven-day regional bus pass. FY 2023 proposals include a late-night rail \$2 flat fare, discount monthly passes, discount seven-day unlimited pass and an added value bonus.

WMATA continues to receive federal assistance, with \$762.6 million in FY 2022, and \$715.8 million planned for FY 2023.

WMATA's Capital Program is ongoing, aiming to improve service and system infrastructure. It includes: a Platform Improvement Project (of which Greenbelt Metro Station is a part); major repairs to the Yellow Line Potomac River bridge and tunnel; advance rebuild of Northern and Bladensburg Bus Divisions; and bus bay repairs and new shelters at Greenbelt Metro Station, to begin in FY 2023. For FY 2021, the capital budget is \$2,087,000 with current expenditures at \$1,836,000.

Regarding bringing Capital Bikeshare to Greenbelt Metro, Scott indicated that WMATA is now ready to move forward and awaits the county's initiative. Budget and operating costs remain the main challenges.

Director of Planning and Community Development Terri Hruby informed council that the Greenbelt Station hiker/biker trail is

making progress. Weekly discussions are made with WMATA, with necessary permits mostly around utilities being acquired. She anticipated that construction may begin later this summer.

Scott said that locating the FBI campus facility to the Greenbelt Metro station area is still in play, with the advent of a new administration bringing renewed hopes. He stated that some sort of structured parking will be necessary for the development to go forward.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts expressed frustration with the state's persistent highway widening efforts, noting the detrimental effect it would have on public transit use, as well as the catastrophic worsening of climate change from more use of cars.

Scott said that WMATA hopes to have a zero-emission electric bus fleet by 2045. The possibility of electric vehicle charging stations in parking areas is being explored.

Councilmember Judith Davis brought up the issue of crime at Metro stations. Scott said that WMATA has state-of-the-art camera systems that capture clear images of perpetrators, speculating that increased ridership may lead to less crime, as there is safety in numbers. He added that unfortunately the 450 transit police officers cannot be everywhere at all times.

Jordan closed the meeting by saying that "we believe in public transit," to achieve the goal of a sustainable and green community, that it has an improving effect on property values and that residents need "convenient, timely and affordable" connections.

Women's History

Lois Wilson: An Unsung Hero

by Tom Adams

You may not know who Lois Wilson is but you should. She lived 97 years. Fifty-three of those years she was the wife of Bill Wilson, the co-founder of Alcoholics Anonymous. She lived 17 years after Bill died. March 4 was Lois's birthday – she would be 129.

Who is she? Why is she important to us today? Lois is an unsung hero who changed the world in many ways. Most significantly, she pioneered help for families of people with addictions, help desperately needed by many families in our Covid times.

Unfortunately, she made her contribution in a time and in a way that make it hard for us in the 21st century to appreciate. Why pay attention to Lois and her legacy? Why does it take a stretch to fully appreciate her?

Lois Wilson led the first experiments in how to change the hopeless dilemma faced by spouses, partners, children, parents and friends of people with drinking problems. This, by itself, is no small matter. Look at your own circle of friends. How many people do you know who remain emotionally damaged and struggling in relationships, careers and life because of the scars of living or being raised by an alcoholic or a person with other addictions?

Lois was wildly in love with Bill Wilson. Passion oozed from their love letters and time together. Bill went off to World War I and returned with a drinking problem. Despite the fact alcoholism isn't always hereditary, Bill's own father and grandfather also struggled with alcoholism. Lois was sure her love and attention would cure Bill's drinking. It didn't. The drinking got worse

and took Bill and Lois to the pit of despair. Neither saw a way out and Lois was being urged to institutionalize Bill.

Bill sought help and had what he describes as a powerful spiritual experience that took away his desire to drink. He became convinced his life was about offering help to others whose drinking was killing them and their families.

Lois was thrilled to have her Bill back and embraced his vision. She quickly learned that she needed to stop blaming Bill and counting on him for her happiness. She saw that she, too, needed to change. She and other spouses of the first members of Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) began to meet and talk about the impact of the drinking on them and their behavior. As Bill and the early AAs developed the Twelve Steps, Lois and Anne Smith, the wife of Dr. Bob Smith, co-founder with Bill Wilson of AA, began meeting and applying the Twelve Steps to their lives. Out of these early meetings, family groups made up of spouses and relatives of alcoholics began to meet. In 1951 Lois and a friend led the formation of Al-Anon Family Groups.

If one looks at how many families and people are impacted by addiction today, there are exponentially more family members than addicts. Lois isn't well known because it is much harder for the family members to admit they have become unhealthy or sick from trying to rein in the uncontrollable behavior of someone who is an addict.

Lois led at a time when women were not expected or encouraged to lead. As most women of

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PRELIMINARY AGENDA Meeting of the GHI Board of Directors on April 7, 2022

A. GHI Closed Meeting – begins at 7:00 p.m. (closed to visitors and members)

- Approve Minutes of the Closed Meeting Held on February 17, 2022
- Proposed Attorney Retainer Agreement re: Negotiations with WSSC - 2nd reading
- Cost Increase Requested by Contractor for 2022 Landscape Maintenance Contract - 1st reading
- Review Bids Received for Technical Writer Services to Reformat the Member Handbook and Board Policies
- Request by Deceased Members' Estates to Assign a Unit to GHI
- Member Financial Matters
- Member Complaint Matters

B. GHI Open Meeting -begins at 7:45 p.m. (open to visitors and members)

- Statement of Closed Meeting Held on April 7, 2022
- Approve Minutes of the Open Meeting Held on February 17, 2022
- Review the Transition Survey Report
- Proposal to Establish a Task Force to Administer Project to Reformat the Member Handbook and Board Policies
- Proposed Revisions to GHI Rules Due to the Creation of a NCOZ for Old Greenbelt
- Recommendations from the Storm Water Sub-committee for Impervious Surface Rules and a New Rule re: Run-off Capture & Control Requirements
- Staff's Proposal to Revise the Salary Scales for GHI Employees
- Selection of an Option for Selling SRECs Produced by GHI's Solar PVES
- Motion to Hold a Closed Meeting on April 21, 2022

To deter hacking, GHI requires persons who wish to attend the GHI Open meeting on April 7, 2022, at 7:45 p.m, to register in advance by accessing the following link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0rd-mtrjssGNBMGTDVU_etjC4LqioZVxa7

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.



To request a sign language interpreter for a board meeting, go to <http://www.ghi.coop/content/interpreter-request-form>, contact us by phone (301-474-4161) or fax (301-474-4006).

April 15th Grant Application Deadline



greenbeltfoundation.org

Next Planning Phase for Greenbelt Road Re-envisioning for the Future Is Underway

by Haley Kerby

The City of Greenbelt is one step closer to the re-envisioning of Greenbelt Road. At its Thursday, March 24 worksession, council deliberated between suggested actions in order to make the new plan the best it can be for the community.

Mayor Emmett Jordan started the meeting by introducing and welcoming councilmembers, as well as community guest representatives. Councilmembers present were Kristen Weaver, Judith Davis, Ric Gordon, Colin Byrd, Silke Pope and Rodney Roberts. City Planner Holly Simmons, Acting City Manager Tim George and Alek Pachowski, consultant project manager with Kittleson and Associates, were also present at the meeting.

Councilmembers from Berwyn Heights and College Park were in attendance as well, since the corridor intersects these communities as well as Greenbelt. From Berwyn Heights were Town Manager Laura Allen, Mayor Amanda Dewey and Councilmembers Jodie Kulpa-Eddy, Ethan Sweep and Jason Papanikolas. From College Park were Mayor Pro Tem Denise Mitchell, Councilmembers Llatetra Brown Esters and Maria Mackie, and Planning Director Terry Schum.

Simmons announced that this project has been in place since October 2021, and that Kittleson and Associates has been able to create a set of preliminary recommendations to present to the several city councils.

Pachowski started the discussion by giving an overview of the data the team received at the last (February 10) meeting, which focused on road visioning. This included a summary of the study area, goals for the road, previous plans and community feedback.

Pachowski then presented Kittleson's preliminary recommendations. The Right-size to Corridor Demand was a large focus in the recommendations. Pachowski found that reducing the number of lanes on Greenbelt Road would allow for expanded walking areas, separated bike lanes and dedicated bus lanes. This would also reduce the width pedestrians would have to cross and help stormwater management. A comment from a member of the public said, "The corridor should serve people living there, not the commuters." This is what Pachowski is helping to accommodate.

Statistics of daily traffic volumes were also presented, showing a substantial decrease over



Council and public discuss changes to Greenbelt Road at a worksession on March 24.

the past 20 years. "These planning-level numbers indicate a lane reduction could be feasible ... but more thorough analysis is warranted," said Pachowski when describing that employer workplace flexibility, transportation costs, transit usage and other factors will determine whether traffic volumes increase or decrease in the future.

Davis chimed in, saying, "What we have to stop thinking about is that this road is not just for the convenience of the drivers ... we have to start switching that maybe the drivers have to be inconvenienced so that the walkers and the bikers can utilize the road Drivers are not the primary focus, all people are." Roberts reminded council that the only problem with this is that the State Highway Administration, which primarily owns this road, "happens to like lighter lanes and more cars ... we don't really have a state that's as friendly as it should be to other modes like walking." Pope also noted that businesses along the road may be inconvenienced.

Pachowski presented possible changes to intersections as well, where different designs modify vehicle, pedestrian and bicycle movements in different ways. A map of new and better intersection ideas was shown. Along with this was pedestrian level of comfort, which was found to be very low when discussing safety and experience along the corridor. Many of Pachowski's findings said that the public finds Greenbelt Road "undesirable" while it should be "somewhat comfortable." The recommendations to combat this included changing speed limits, adding marked highly visible crosswalks, providing medians and increasing

lane space required from the edge of the curb.

As the project continues, deadline timing and construction will change, but Pachowski provided short-term recommendations to allow for pedestrian and biker travel to continue. This included providing sidewalk connections between popular stretches along the road, improving traffic-signal timings and adding bridges across the road to improve connections to neighborhoods and parks.

The public comment period on the road corridor closes on Thursday, March 31. The link to the interactive comment map can be found on the project webpage, greenbeltmd.gov/government/greenbelt-road-md-193-corridor-plan. The draft of the final report for the road revision plan will be provided by Kittleson in April which will be distributed to the councils and agencies involved in approving these plans. The project timeline must be completed by the end of June in order to use the grant received from the Metropolitan Washington Council of

Governments.

In closing, Simmons anticipated that the project will be wrapping up by that deadline. At the end, Mayor Dewey of Berwyn Heights stated her excitement for the future of the road and the inclusion to vision the future of the corridor as a team. "We're all in this together," responded Jordan.



NR Rumor said that "Print was dead." Not on our watch. This ad is \$21. www.GreenbeltNewsReview.com



Hyacinths are blooming.

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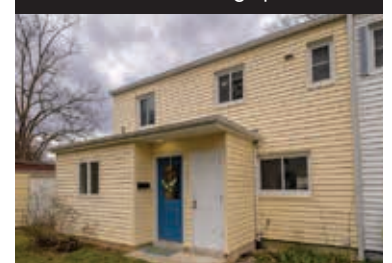
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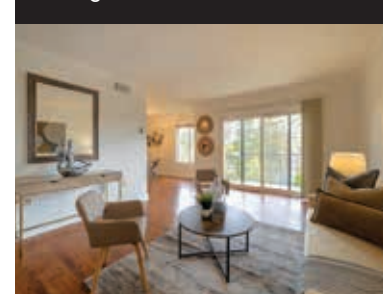
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itself – the truck runs throughout the DMV and has gone as far as Richmond, bringing yummy food to communities throughout. There are several trucks, with different chefs featuring a variety of menus.

PKG's Mobile Kitchen, a crowd favorite, participated in the festival as well. Owned and operated by Calvin Cain, also known as "Pop Pop," and his family, PKG stands for Pop, Kids and Grandkids. The mobile kitchen features a wide variety of family recipes including burgers, chicken and hot dogs. Cain said the secret is "we have a special seasoning that's made in Pennsylvania called comebacks ... and it truly makes the people come back."

Aunt Titty's, D & D Caribbean Kitchen, Good To Da Bone and Strib'ble Treats all held spaces at the festival as well, helping to draw crowds and raise money to support the annual Greenbelt Labor Day Festival.

The festival ran through rain, shine and intense wind that afternoon, still drawing Greenbelters from all over the city and people from surrounding communities to join in the festivities. Even with the bad weather, people were able to enjoy the great food, including Jordan who had his own meal from DMV and Beyond. He said, "The food was great ... and not many people go to or know about Schrom Hills so this event was a great chance to highlight the park."

In addition to Jordan, Councilmembers Ric Gordon and Judith Davis enjoyed the afternoon alongside fellow Greenbelters. State Comptroller Peter Franchot was also there to enjoy the day. He congratulated Linda Ivy, president of the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, for her dedication to the community and the event.



PHOTO BY TOM JONES

Greenbelters gather for the 1st Annual Greenbelt Food Truck Festival.



PHOTO BY HALEY KERBY

DMV and Beyond opens its kitchen for the Food Truck Festival.



PHOTO BY HALEY KERBY

Flamin' Foods serves Greenbelters at the first annual Food Truck Festival.

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her era, she was raised to be a loyal and attentive partner and housewife. She broke that mold early in her strong-willed determination to both be a good partner and live the life she enjoyed. Through her Twelve Step program for families, she learned to focus on what she could change in her own behavior. She took delight in bird watching, gardening, exploring nature and learning as she travelled the world advancing Twelve Step recovery. As the architect and builder of the structure that we now call

Al-Anon, Lois started the first of many replications of AA by other Twelve Step fellowships.

Tom Adams has done extensive research on Lois Wilson and her life's work, visiting archives where she lived in Katonah, N.Y., and at the national offices of Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon. He is completing a book about her with co-author Joy Jones – Bill and Lois Wilson: A Marriage That Changed the World. They are working with their agent to submit it for publication.



PHOTO BY CAMILA LUCHSINGER

Yellow Magnolia Butterfly tree at the Library before the frost

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Watch Stars and Help Pollinators at Patuxent

Spring visitors to Patuxent Research Refuge can watch the stars and help pollinators in two events on Saturday, April 2.

Visitors can create a fun native pollinator garden to start a backyard wildlife refuge. Just a few native plants, even in a pot on a deck, can be a great home for native pollinators. This program is from 2 to 3 p.m. at the South Tract, 10901 Scarlet Tanager Loop, off Powder Mill Road.

Then look at stars through a telescope and hear ancient stellar stories in the North Tract, where darker skies help reveal the night sky. This program is from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the North Tract, 230 Bald Eagle Drive, off Md. 198 south of Ft. Meade.

For both programs, masks are required and all ages are welcome. Register in advance at 301-497-5887. More information is at fws.gov/refuge/patuxent.



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Police Blotter

Incidents reported here are from Monday, March 21 to Sunday, March 27. Readers are encouraged to contact the police if they have information that may aid in an enquiry. Call the non-emergency number 301-474-7200 or email pd@greenbeltmd.gov. Note that the times provided are when the incidents were reported.

Major Crimes

On March 22 at 8:31 p.m. near 6100 Breezewood Court, an adult male walked into an area hospital with a non-life-threatening gunshot wound and reported that he was shot while being robbed.

On March 23 at 6:41 a.m. near 8100 Good Luck Road, the victim was approached by four unknown males, one armed with a knife and one armed with a black semi-automatic handgun, and assaulted, resulting in minor injuries.

Auto Recovered

On March 25 at 9:43 a.m. near Kenilworth Ave northbound & Good Luck Road eastbound, stolen vehicle recovered.

Auto Theft

On March 21 at 7:52 a.m. near 6200 Springhill Drive, passenger-side keyhole damaged, tools stolen.

On March 22 at 6:47 p.m. near 9100 Edmonston Road, personal property taken from unlocked vehicle. Near 200 Lakeside Drive, passenger-side window broken, handicap placards stolen.

On March 23 at 8:25 a.m. near 6200 Springhill Court, rear license plate stolen. Near 6000 Springhill Drive, front and rear tags stolen.

Near 100 Crescent Road, property taken from paramedic ambulance.

On March 24 at 8:27 a.m. near 20 Court Parkway, rear tag stolen. Near 5900 Cherrywood Terrace, rear tag stolen.

On March 26 at 4 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road westbound, vehicle stolen and later located not damaged but personal property stolen, released back to owner.

On March 27 at 9:38 a.m. near 7200 Hanover Drive, driver-side door broken, personal property taken. Near 100 Lakeside Drive, personal property taken from vehicle.

Auto Vandalism

On March 22 at 8:50 a.m. near 200 Lakeside Drive, passenger-side window damaged.

On March 23 at 7:56 a.m. near 8200 Canning Terrace, glove box damaged, nothing stolen. Near 9100 Edmonston Court,

unknown individual kicked the hood of car denting it. Near 9100 Springhill Lane, car front windshield, rear windshield and passenger-side mirror damaged by known individual, who later returned and threatened the car's owner.

Break-In

On March 26 at 7:13 p.m. near 6200 Breezewood Court, bedroom window broken and personal property stolen.

DUI

On March 26 at 12:03 a.m. near Greenbelt Road eastbound & Mandan Road, DUI arrest.

On March 27 at 7:18 a.m. near Greenbelt Road westbound & Kenilworth Ave northbound, DUI arrest.

Fraud

On March 23 at 8:50 a.m. near 400 Ridge Road, wire money fraud.

On March 24 at 5:56 p.m. near 7200 Mandan Road, investment fraud.

On March 26 at 1:27 p.m. near 5200 Stream Bank Lane, concert ticket fraud.

On March 27 at 9:15 a.m. near 7500 Greenbelt Road Eastbound, credit card fraud.

Juvenile Fight

On March 21 at 2:00 p.m. near 9200 Edmonston Road.

Missing Person

On March 26 at 3:49 p.m. on Empire Place, missing adult male reported, later returned home safe.

Suspicious Person

On March 23 at 3:40 p.m. near 200 Lakeside Drive, neighbors observed unknown individual tampering with a residence's window and fled without gaining entry before officer's arrival.

Theft

On March 22 at 8:03 p.m. near 5900 Greenbelt Road Westbound, commercial theft.

On March 25 at 11:58 a.m. near 6400 Ivy Lane, commercial theft.

On March 26 at 9:01 p.m. near 9100 Springhill Lane, fire-arm stolen.

Vandalism

On March 25 at 1:27 p.m. on Empire Place, resident damaged personal property when told to move out.

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Raftelis consultants Jennifer Teal and Athena Hall facilitated a group discussion and explained how ARPA works. Residents wrote their ideas on post-it notes and stuck them on dedicated easels that covered allowable uses of ARPA funds as dictated by legislation. Tim George, acting city manager, welcomed residents and encouraged them to engage city staff in a free flow of information. "We want to get as much input from residents as we can. Staff is not deciding, we are simply aggregating ideas that have come forward."

George, the city's top-ranking executive, stayed for the entire in-person session. He spoke at length with residents individually and marshalled a deep knowledge of federal funding, including prior funds for Covid before ARPA, and the importance of these funds for local government, adding, "This is life-changing generational money and we want to make sure everyone has a voice in how we appropriate that money." Resident Robert Snyder said, "I like the concept of writing something and putting it on the board. It's interactive and lets you write down your thoughts instead of speaking out." Raftelis will compile raw ideas from all sources and provide a final report, with all of the original ideas plus a summary of themes and findings, to help council decide how to spend the money.

Greenbelters are full of great ideas and at press time have submitted over 60 to the Raftelis website already. Residents are focused on reducing homelessness and food insecurity, creating programs for mental health, employment, homebuying and business start-ups. Cash or vouchers remain a recognized need for rent, mortgage, utilities and health services or bonuses to retail and essential workers who faced the brunt of stress during the Covid pandemic. As ARPA funds can be used for infrastructure improvements, residents have also suggested the city fix stormwater and drainage issues at several known problem areas around the city. Other submitted suggestions are to improve broadband access, update recreation facilities and fields for youth and make green improvements to city facilities like landscaping with edible plants and installing solar panels and permeable parking lots.



Greenbelters record their suggestions at the ARPA event at Greenbriar. Above, Claudia Jones writes her message, while Robert Snyder waits in line.

- Photos by Johanna Goderre



Relaxing with residents at the Greenbriar Community Center, Mayor Emmett Jordan said, "The focus on the human element is really important and at the same time it is an opportunity to do holistic things for the city and incorporate environmental and economic improvements."

The city must carefully track and report on how the funds are distributed to ensure the money is exclusively spent on six broad areas described in the legislation: public health, negative economic impacts, services to dispro-

tionately impacted communities, premium pay, infrastructure and revenue replacement.

Greenbelt can also set aside funds to handle the administrative aspects of managing ARPA programs. To date, 259 Greenbelt households have received \$1,007,282.73 in rent, utility, mortgage and HOA fee assistance. Additionally, 24 businesses and nonprofit organizations have received \$400,000. All ARPA funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024 and, spent by December 31, 2026.

PGCPS Film Festival

The 10th Annual Prince George's County Public Schools Film Festival starts Saturday, April 2 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with a virtual screening to view student entries. Viewers are invited to vote for the People's Choice from April 2 to 30. The schedule and information about a Zoom link is posted at bit.ly/ShowcasePGCPS.

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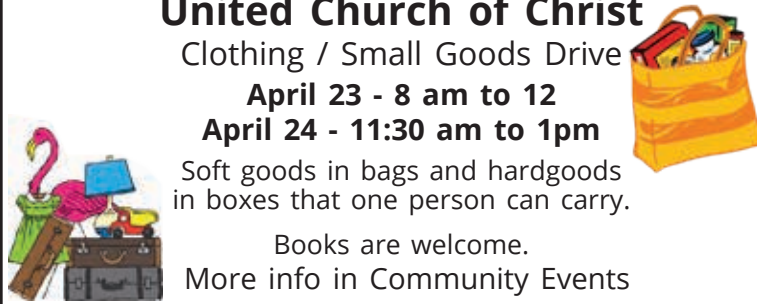
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Michael McMullin wins third place with his movie La Unica about the band of that name.

Ian Blackwell Rogers for their rendition of 'Twas The Night Before Yuletide, a poem by CC Williford, performed by Rogers and edited by Nordberg. Mike McMullin took third for the filming of La Unica, a musical group performance at the New Deal Café.

Judges – who were neither GATE staff members nor GATE board members – were chosen at random from the community. These judges weighed entries based on criteria including originality, creativity, relevance for and connection to Greenbelt, production value and technical quality (sound, editing, music and lighting).

First place took home a \$200 prize, second and third took home \$100 and \$50, respectively. The winners also received recognition and a certificate at the annual membership meeting.

GATE is now accepting submissions for the 2022 Rose Award Contest. They are looking for Greenbelt-centered, self-produced videos that can be aired on the cable channel and spread through their social media channels. Individuals who live in



Tanya Nordberg (videographer) and Ian Blackwell Rogers (reader) win second place for 'Twas The Night Before Yuletide.

Greenbelt, Berwyn Heights, College Park and New Carrollton are eligible to enter. Contestants cannot be employed by GATE or a Rose Award Contest judge.

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Registration is open through Friday, April 22; students must submit their papers by Friday, April 29. For more information about the competition, visit the Clean Tech Competition website at cstl.org/cleantech, call the administrator at 516-764-0045 or email cleantech@cstl.org.

Metrorail Orange Line Stations Are Closing

WMATA has announced that the eastern end of the Orange line – including the New Carrollton Metrorail station – will be closed from Saturday, May 28 to Monday, September 5 as part of the final phase of the Platform Improvement Project. During that time, Metro will provide free shuttle buses along three convenient routes and offer free customer parking at all closed stations. Further information can be found at wmata.com/about/news/Summer-2022-PIP-travel-alternatives.cfm.

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2 BR Townhome Remodeled GHI home w/ new carpet fresh paint & ceramic bath. Don't miss this one!

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Women's History

NASA Highlights Greenbelter Denna Lambert's Work at HQ

by Loura Hall

Earlier in March, NASA highlighted Greenbelter Denna Lambert. Used with permission, the News Review took excerpts of the question-and-answer article.

For Women's History Month, we asked some of the NASA women who work on Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD) missions about their backgrounds and goals. Meet Denna Lambert from NASA Headquarters in Washington.

What do you do at NASA?

In December 2021, I began working as STMD's Early-Stage Innovations & Partnerships Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility lead where I manage efforts for reaching, attracting and developing underrepresented and underutilized communities in the space technology ecosystem.

Our goal is to deepen STMD's impact in creating a diverse, inclusive, equitable and accessible environment for everyone. I am honored to work alongside some of the greatest minds in space technology and am looking forward to the transformative change we are designing for the future.

I first joined NASA as a contract specialist for the procurement office at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center. Throughout the years, I've used my experience and passion for creating inclusive environments, and my

journey has taken me from managing Goddard's minority student programs to designing a federally recognized program model for people with disabilities in the federal sector to leading a design team that transformed the center's Information & Collaboration Center which was awarded Federal Large Library of the Year in 2016.

What has been your biggest accomplishment or favorite project of your NASA career so far?

My current role has the potential to be my favorite for the anticipated impact it will have on how we engage the public, researchers and businesses in our work in space technology. However, I would say seeing the evolution of student programs that served as a pipeline for our civil servant workforce was the most meaningful.

NASA joined a government-wide initiative to increase the representation of people with disabilities. In 2007, Goddard was significantly below the targeted 2 percent of employees with disabilities. I engaged senior leaders in conversations surrounding disability, common misconceptions related to disability, structural barriers that existed in NASA's environment, and the hiring process. It took some time, but we

went from serving as a conduit for processing reasonable accommodations requests to developing sustainable mentoring programs and increasing our representation of employees with disabilities at Goddard in all skill groups.

This effort was not to fulfill a quota but to ensure that highly qualified individuals with disabilities have opportunities to contribute towards NASA's mission in meaningful ways. Also current employees who were in a situation where they were facing either temporary or permanent disability could continue working with or without an accommodation in their chosen field with increased level of dignity and respect from colleagues and center management.

This approach of embracing open and supportive dialogue, addressing barriers and trying out innovative solutions that support NASA's missions are some of the key ingredients needed for transforming our working environment, professional relationships and ultimately the innovations we envision in the future.

The article in its entirety is published on the NASA website at nasa.gov/directorates/spacetech/whm/denna_lambert.



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Denna Lambert goes cross-country skiing at the 2015 Ski For Light International Festival.

Send Us Your High Resolution Photos!

The News Review encourages readers to send in photos of Greenbelt landmarks, activities and the changing seasons. Photos should be at least 300 dpi, and must include the name of the photographer and a caption. The caption must name any identifiable people in the photo, as well as explain the picture.

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MAKE YOUR VOICES HEARD!



The City of Greenbelt has been designated as the recipient of just under \$23 million in funds from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency and its impacts. As part of the process for determining how to invest these funds, the City has engaged in an extensive community outreach and engagement effort in order to understand how the pandemic has impacted the community and to solicit ideas for investing the funds.

The survey will close April 15, 2022.

The City of Greenbelt wants to hear your thoughts on how we can utilize these one-time funds to help Greenbelt emerge from the COVID-19 pandemic stronger than ever. Your response to this survey will help inform the City of Greenbelt on community needs and how to prioritize funding that will provide long-lasting benefits to residents and businesses. If you would like to learn about ARPA and how funds can be spent before taking the survey, please visit <https://www.engagegreenbelt.org/> to participate in the survey.

This survey is anonymous and its sole purpose is to help prioritize community needs.



What is your connection to the City of Greenbelt? (check all that apply)

- I am a City of Greenbelt resident
- I own a business in the City of Greenbelt
- I am a commercial property owner in the City of Greenbelt.
- I work in the City of Greenbelt
- I do not live in the City of Greenbelt

What part of Greenbelt do you live in?

- Greenbelt East
- Greenbelt Central
- Greenbelt West

What is your age?

- Under 18
- 18-24
- 25-34
- 35-44
- 45-54
- 55-64
- 65+

What has been the level of impact COVID-19 has had on your household/Greenbelt business?

- Major negative impact
- Slight negative impact
- No impact
- Slight positive impact
- Major positive impact

If COVID-19 has impacted your Greenbelt business, what assistance do you need, or have you needed throughout the pandemic? Please choose up to four (4).

- Finding qualified employees
- Training new hires/existing staff
- Funding for capital improvements
- Funding to fill operating shortfalls
- Connections to supplies/vendors
- Other assistance?

If COVID-19 has impacted your household, what assistance do you need, or have you needed throughout the pandemic? Please choose up to four (4).

- Food Assistance
- Rental Assistance
- Mortgage Assistance
- Unemployment benefits
- Utility Assistance
- Emergency Childcare services
- Mental Health services
- Internet Access
- Job Training
- Counseling Services
- Substance use treatment services
- Other
- If other, please explain.

PLEASE RANK YOUR TOP FIVE PRIORITIES FROM THE FOLLOWING WHERE 1 IS YOUR TOP PRIORITY:

Infrastructure (road/sidewalk improvements): This would be a part of an ongoing road improvement plan to resurface and repave City streets, sidewalks and other Capital Improvement Projects.

City Facility Improvements: The City of Greenbelt maintains city-owned and occupied buildings and recreational buildings/facilities. As our facilities age, replacement of roofs, air conditioners and general maintenance requires consistent funding be set aside to cover anticipated expenses as part of the facilities replacement plan.

Business Recovery & Workforce: The growth and retention of our Greenbelt businesses increase the quality of life and economic prosperity within the City limits. This funding would focus on areas to assist businesses to include: business programs to promote retention, resiliency, redevelopment and workforce development.

Support the COVID-19 Public Health Response: Address the ongoing impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the public health as well as the economic harms to households through social service programs to assist residents with re-employment, job training, job placement assistance, social/mental health services, substance abuse assistance, childcare, etc.

Mental Health Resources and Healthcare (CARES/GAIL): The mental health and wellness of all City employees and residents is crucial to ensure a healthy workforce and community. We have operated with a single person responsible for overall health and wellness throughout the pandemic and have shown the need to maintain it.

Housing Assistance (mortgage/rent/utility assistance, etc.): This program provides mortgage, rent and utility assistance to eligible Greenbelt residents who have experienced loss of income, reduction in hours, or unemployment as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Assistance will be paid for past due fees directly to the lender/landlord/service provider, with a maximum award of \$10,000/household as funds are available.

Digital Equity Initiatives (Broadband Infrastructure/expansion): Many essential activities for education, social interaction, and employment require reliable broadband internet connection. This initiative would provide free access to WIFI broadband at City facilities (including parks), helping to bridge the digital divide in our community.

Arts and Culture Assistance: Art and culture bring people together to appreciate positive engagement, the City will apply funding towards projects that will bring arts and culture to our residents.

City Security Enhancements: The safety and security of our residents and employees is paramount. This funding will enable the implementation of the comprehensive security plan to include camera systems, physical improvements, and other ancillary betterments that address identified vulnerabilities.

Park Enhancements: Following the March 2020 pandemic shutdown, parks throughout the City experienced a significant increase in the use of park facilities. The need for outdoor spaces highlighted the importance of parks to a community. Parks provide spaces for physical fitness, mental and emotional wellness and spaces for socialization. The enhancement of park facilities and park infrastructure is vital to the needs of a community. Upgrading existing park facilities and the development of new recreation and leisure facilities will enhance the quality of life for the residents and visitors to the City of Greenbelt.

Green/Solar Initiatives Citywide: Funding towards green/solar initiatives will pursue knowledge, practices, and equipment that can lead to more environmentally friendly and ecologically responsible decisions, which can help protect the environment and sustain its natural resources.

Citywide Aesthetics: This is an ongoing effort to not only maintain, but to improve the aesthetics of right-of-way areas within the City of Greenbelt. Improvements will come from a variety of programs including litter pickup, pressure washing, sidewalk replacement, irrigation maintenance and landscape maintenance. City staff will focus on efforts in the areas of most need to ensure a uniform and clean community.

Essential Workers/Public Safety Public Health Response: The COVID-19 pandemic placed a tremendous physical and mental demand on police, fire, 911 dispatchers and other essential employees. Keeping our first responders safe remains our priority. Keeping our workforce protected will minimize the exposure risk and provide a better outcome for our residents and businesses.